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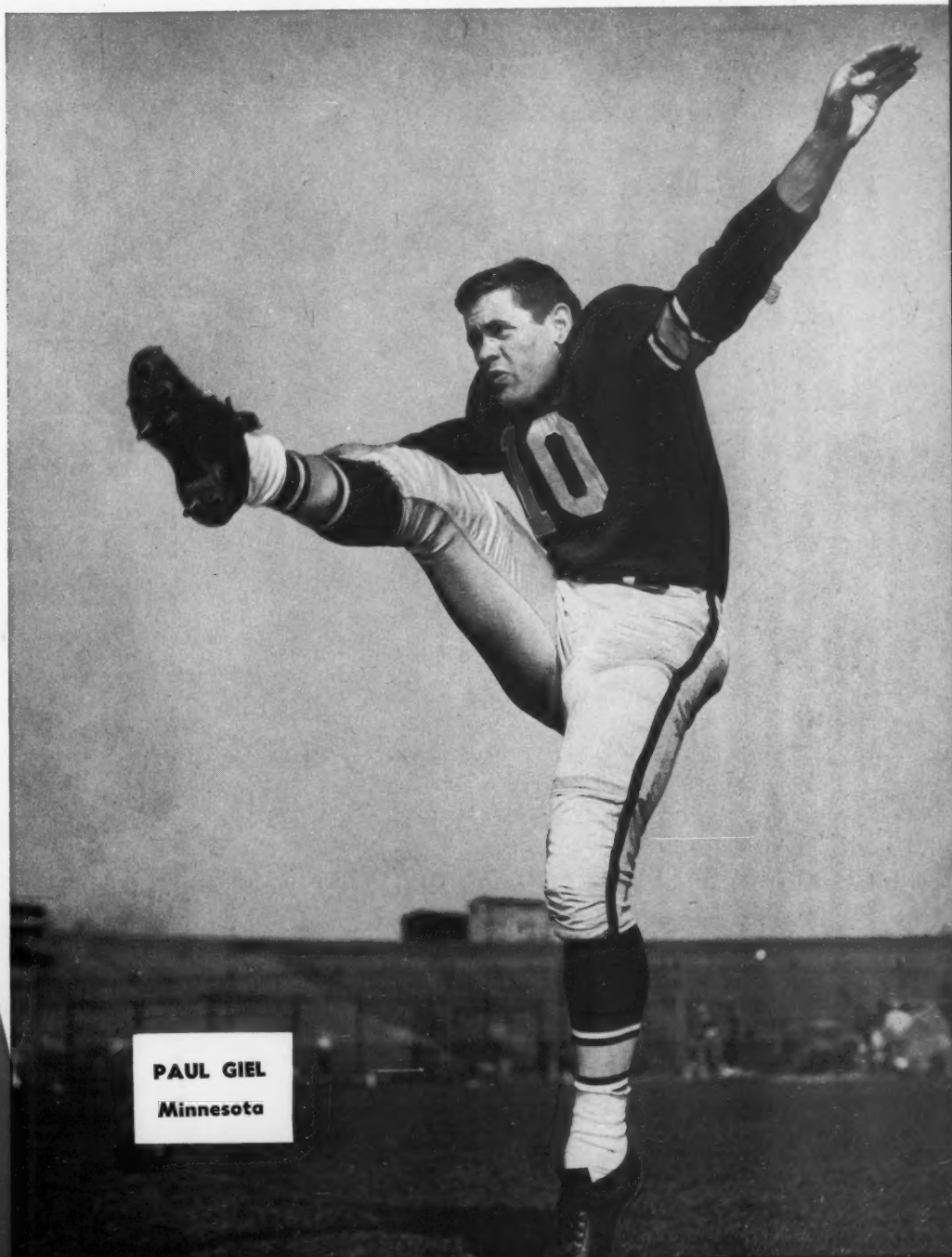
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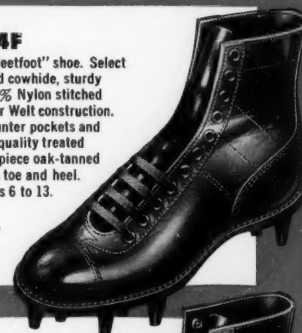
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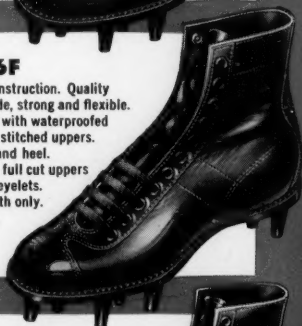
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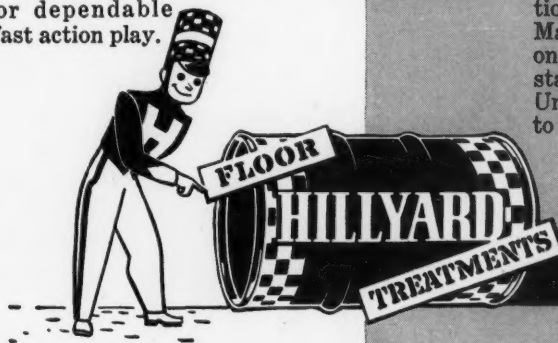
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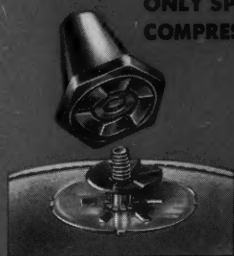


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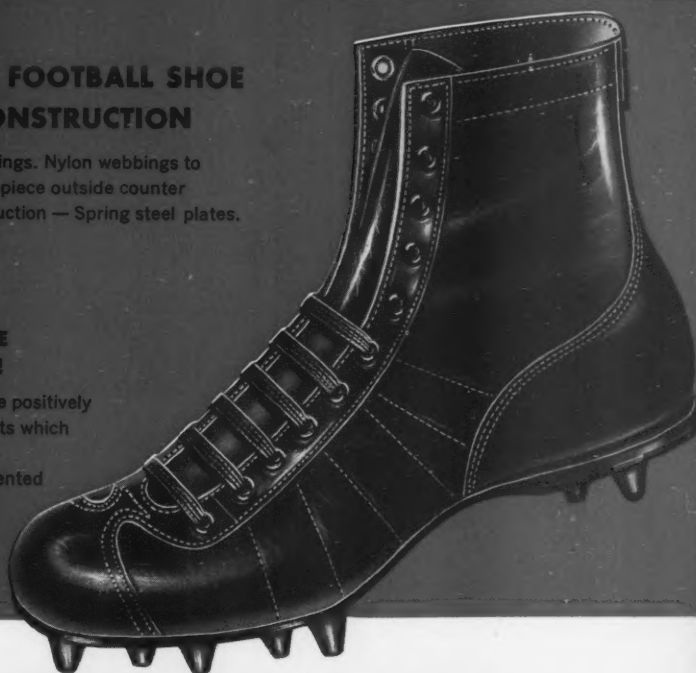
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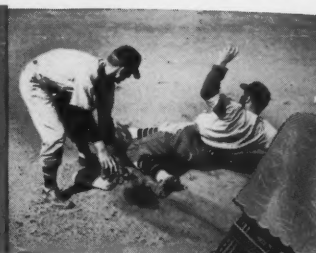
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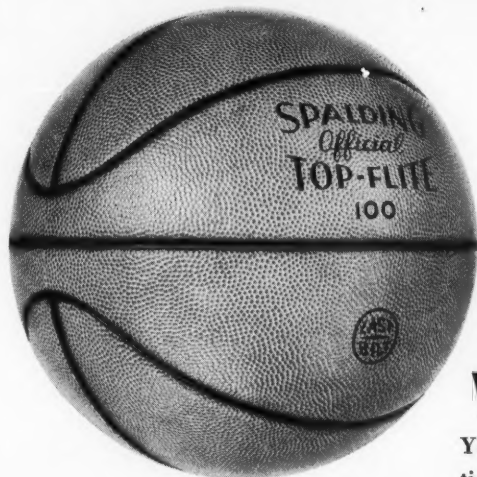
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## UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

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WHEN THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA opened its doors on September 21st, 1953, it marked its 123rd year of service to the state of Alabama, to the South and to the Nation.

The University of Alabama was established in 1820, one year after Alabama was admitted to the Union, and was first opened to students in 1831. Thirty-five young men comprised the first student body and the physical plant was not much larger with two dormitories, a chapel, chemistry building, and four faculty homes forming the campus.

Today, one hundred and twenty-three years later, the University has expanded and grown into a well-planned seat of learning which has thousands of students studying, living, and playing in hundreds of class rooms, dormitories and other University buildings. The passing years have seen many great moments and known many outstanding educators and administrators as the University of Alabama has solidified its place as the "Capstone" of the state educational system.

From the ashes of a fire-swept campus following the

War Between the States, the University has developed into the modern institution of today, consisting of thirteen major divisions on the campus and two in Birmingham. Located at Tuscaloosa are: The College of Arts and Sciences, School of Chemistry, School of Commerce and Business Administration, College of Education, College of Engineering and School of Mines, School of Home Economics, School of Law, Graduate School, Extension Division and Summer School. A new fourteen-million-dollar medical center is in the making at the Medical College of Alabama in Birmingham. The School of Dentistry is also situated in Birmingham.

The physical structure of the University now consists of 287 permanent and temporary buildings spread over 570 acres in Tuscaloosa. In addition to this, its medical and dental college facilities in Birmingham cover almost three city blocks.

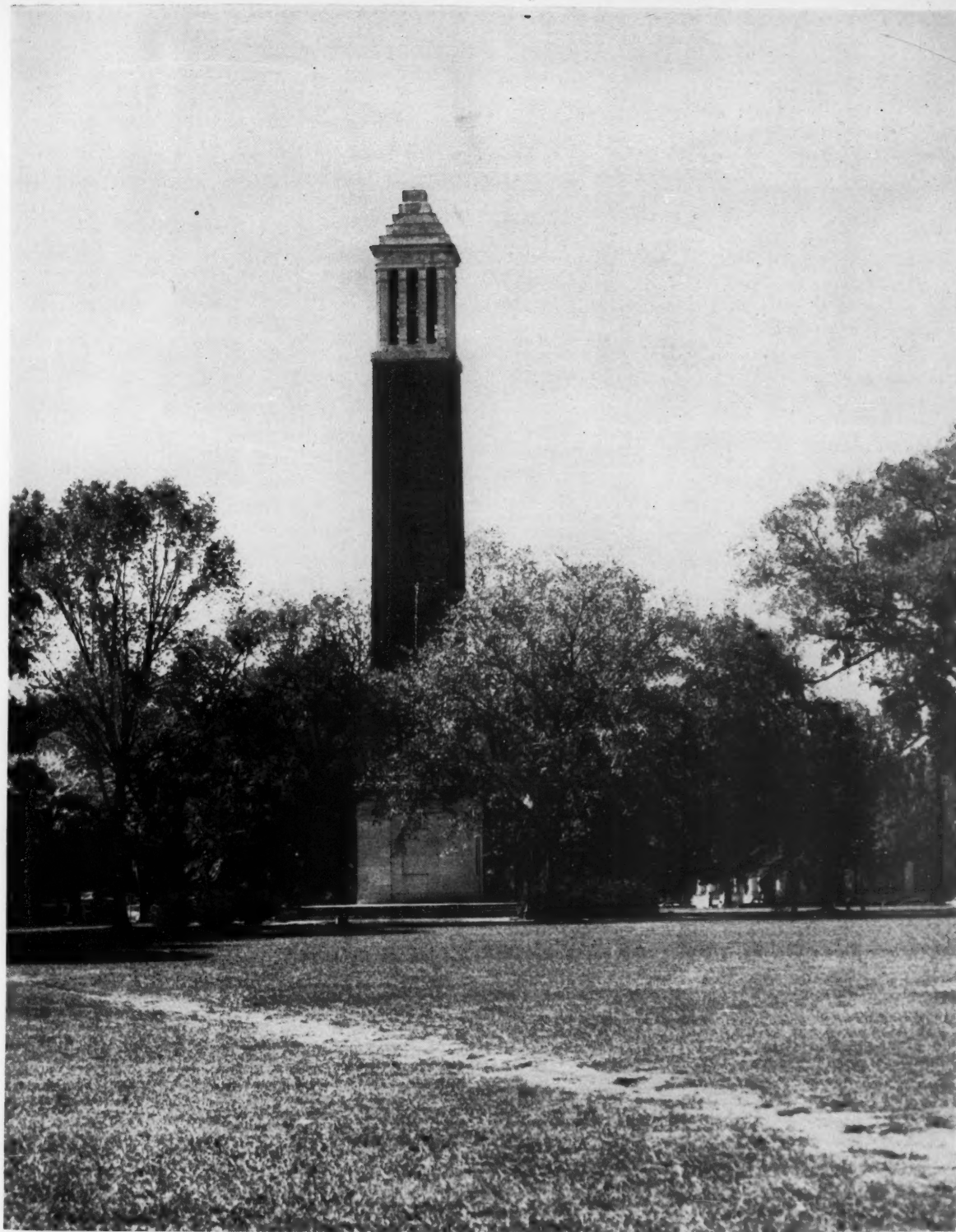
Today's buildings at the University are a composite of the old and the new. There is an old quadrangle constructed immediately after the Civil War. And the new quadrangle is squared off by one of the South's finest libraries, the Amelia Gayle Gorgas Library, also by the Administration Building, a new Physics Building, the Commerce Building, a Biology and Chemistry Building.

During the academic year of 1951-52, instruction was given to 23,759 students. Enrollment on the main campus in Tuscaloosa is customarily between 5,000 to 7,000 each semester. Through the University of Alabama Extension Division, centers are operated at Huntsville, Mobile, Montgomery, Birmingham and Gadsden, with a branch at Selma. Enrollment there for extension courses totals over 3,000 students per semester.

To the University's thirteen major schools and colleges has been added a School of Nursing. Since 1948, the Ph.D. program has been launched in the field of biology, history, education, bio-chemistry, commerce and business administration, pharmacology, political science and physics.

**HISTORIC WOODS HALL** — Restored in 1949, Woods Hall has played an important role in the history of the University. Woods was the first building constructed after the University was burned to the ground. It served as a barracks for the Alabama Cadet Corps and was the site in 1900 of a demonstration that led to the disbanding of the corps. It was built in 1868. Today it is the home of the History Department, Journalism Department and ceramics laboratories.





**DENNY CHIMES SOUNDS OUT HOURS** — Denny Chimes, a 115-foot carillon tower, stands as a monument to the University of Alabama's chancellor, Dr. George Hutcheson Denny who is now living in retirement at Lexington, Virginia. Dr. Denny served as president from 1912 to 1937. During World War II, he was recalled to serve his University for a period of one year (1942-'43) following the death of Richard C. Foster. The tower was erected in 1929.

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**OLIVER CROMWELL CARMICHAEL**  
President, University of Alabama

Alabama's military record is rich in tradition and color. From the 300 cadets who marched out to meet the enemy in 1865 to the present ROTC units and special classes assigned to the University by the armed forces today, the campus has felt the tread of thousands of American men and women. Since World War I, more ROTC students have trained at the University than at West Point.

During the past half-dozen post-war years, a greatly enlarged student body has taxed the University facilities but a tremendous building program, which is still under way, has finally eased the situation. To fully retain the old grace and beauty of the 420-acre main campus area, a rebuilding and renewing project has also been carried on.

**THE FIRST WOMEN STUDENTS** were admitted to the University in 1893 and today some 2,000 co-eds form a good percentage of the University enrollment. Dr. John M. Gallalee, long-time member of the faculty and president since 1948, retired in July, 1953. Dr. Oliver C. Carmichael, a veteran educator and Alabama alumnus, succeeded Dr. Gallalee as president, September 1, 1953.

#### INTER-COLLEGIATE SPORTS

The name *Alabama* is well-known in all sports circles. The Crimson Tide participates in seven intercollegiate sports — football, basketball, baseball, track, golf and tennis. In most of these seven sports, Alabama is represented in the record books and on the all-star teams.

Bama's trip to Dallas for its engagement with Rice in the Cotton Bowl, January 1st, will make the 12th post-season affair for the Crimson Tide. This is the most any major college has participated in a major bowl on New Year's.

Wallace Wade was the first coach to take the Tide to a post-season classic — taking them to the Rose Bowl three times — 1926, 1927, and 1931. Wade ended with a record of two wins and one tie on the West Coast. Frank Thomas took over for the 1931 season and kept the Crimson Tide rolling as his teams journeyed to six major bowls by the time he retired due to ill health in 1946. Thomas' teams appeared in the Rose Bowl three times and once each in the Sugar, Orange and Cotton Bowl. His over-all bowl record was four wins and two losses. His Crimson Tide team lost a game in the Sugar and Rose Bowl.

A long-time assistant to Thomas, Harold "Red" Drew, replaced Thomas in 1947 and has lived up to the reputation

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING HEADQUARTERS** — Houser Hall, newest of the engineering buildings at the University of Alabama, was completed in the summer of 1950 at an approximate cost of \$312,000.





of Wade and Thomas by making this his third post-season game in seven years. His 1947 team lost in the Sugar Bowl and his 1952 team won in the Orange Bowl last year.

Twenty-three Alabama players have received All-American honors. They are: W. T. "Bully" Van deGraaff, tackle, 1915; A. T. S. "Pooley" Hubert, quarterback, 1925; Bill Buckler, guard, 1926; Hoyt "Wu" Winslett, end, 1926; Tony Holm, fullback, 1929; Fred Sington, tackle, 1930; Johnny Cain, fullback, 1931; Tom Hupke, guard, 1933; Millard "Dixie" Howell, halfback, 1934; Don Hutson, end, 1934; Bill Lee, tackle, 1934; Riley Smith, quarterback, 1935; Arthur "Tarzan" White, guard, 1936; James Ryba, tackle, 1937; Leroy Monsky, guard, 1937; Joe Kilgrow, halfback, 1937; Carey Cox, center, 1939; Holt Rast, end, 1941; Don Whitmire, tackle, 1942; Joe Domnanovich, center, 1942; Harry Gilmer, halfback, 1945; Vaughan Mancha, center, 1945; Ed Salem, halfback, 1950.

Under young Johnny Dee, Alabama is on the road to taking its place among the leaders in basketball. The first jump was made December 14th as a team of four sophomores and one senior defeated Bradley University on the mid-western's home court, 63-61, for one of the major upsets of the young basketball season. 'Bama won two conference championships and that under Hank Crisp. Crisp pulled the trick in 1930 while 'Bama was still in the Southern Conference and again in the Southeastern Conference in 1934. Alabama has produced one All-American basketball player—Lindy Hood of the 1930 team.

Tilden "Happy" Campbell has compiled one of collegiate's baseball's better coaching records, winning eight Southeastern Conference championships in 15 years of coaching. He played on 'Bama's first conference title-winner in 1934 and then won crowns as head coach in 1935, 1936, 1938, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1947 and 1950. He has entered three teams in District NCAA play-offs and his 1950 team, which he considers probably his best, played in the National tournament. Thirty-five 'Bama baseball players have journeyed to the major leagues: Derrill Pratt, Turkey Bowman, Dan Boone, Lena Stiles, Joe Sewell, Ike Boone, Riggs Stephenson, Luke Sewell, Ernie Wingard, Max Rosenfeld, Andy Cohen, Grant Gillis, Verdo Elmore, Emil Barnes, Broadus Connatser, Sid Cohen, Whitey Campbell, Tommy Sewell, Ray Pepper, Jack Hayes, Walter Hilcher, Fred Sington, Lagrant Scott, Lee Rogers, Dixie Howell, Frank Scalzi, Jim Tabor, Blake Caldwell, Vick Bradford, Pete Lewis, Herschel Freeman,



**HISTORIC PRESIDENT'S MANSION AT CAPSTONE** — The president's mansion at the University of Alabama has new occupants this fall with the inauguration of a new president, Dr. Oliver Cromwell Carmichael. He is the 18th Capstone president to live in the mansion which faces the new University quadrangle. Originally built in 1837, the mansion is now marked as a state shrine and is one of the outstanding examples of ante bellum architecture in the State of Alabama.

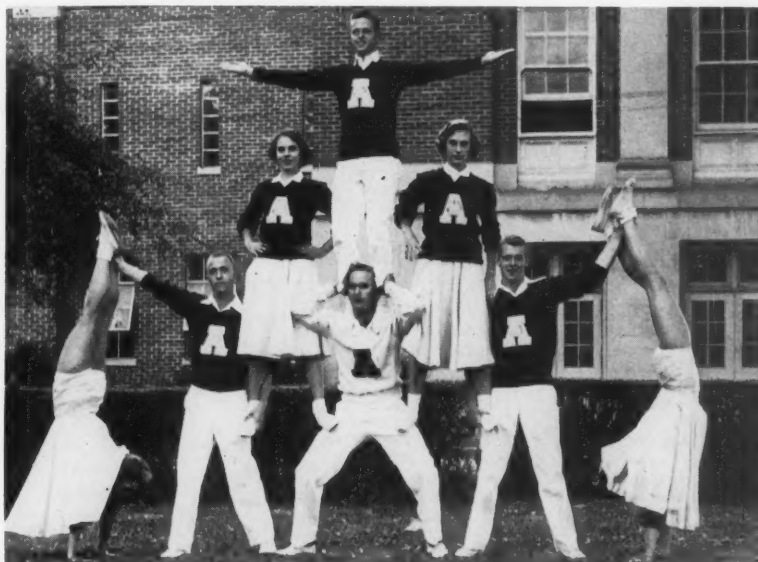
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Allan Worthington, Bill Dunn and Frank Lary.

'Bama's track team was Southeastern Conference champion twice the last four years. The Crimson Tide won the championship in 1950, lost by one point in 1951 and took top honors again in 1952.

A young team of mostly freshmen and sophomores finished in the number four spot last year. Charley Stapp is starting his second year as head man. He was assistant coach prior to being appointed to the head position in February, 1953.

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**ALABAMA PYRAMID** — The University of Alabama cheerleaders demonstrate more talents than cheering alone. Featured in the formation are: Front row (left to right) Patsy Lord, LaFayette (standing on hands); Billy Hodges, Bessemer; Skeeky Maffett, Florence (head cheerleader); Eddie Newell, Mobile, and Joan Bond, Montgomery. Second row (left to right) Jean Davidson, Tuscaloosa; Lumas Langley, Birmingham, and Arlene Bray, Arlington, Va.



# THE HUDDLE



By DWIGHT KEITH, Editor and Publisher

## Invocation Captures "Perfect" Philosophy

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This prayer expresses so well the philosophy which should be exemplified in all inter-school athletic contests that it is reproduced for your thought and meditation.)

### A PRAYER

Offered at Texas-Baylor Game, November 7, 1953

By Dr. Blake Smith

Dear God and Father of our lives:

For one brief moment our voices are still, our excitement is relaxed and we lift our minds and hearts heavenward. And no sooner do we lift them than some things become clear, as when the sun suddenly breaks through the clouds that envelop us.

It is clear that Thou hast given to us life with many different shades and colors. For this we are grateful. We humbly accept the fact that some things in our lives are not very important. They are to be enjoyed but not taken too seriously. The occasion that brings us together today is one of those happy interludes in life. Help us to accept it as such.

In Thy presence we know that no issue of great importance is going to be settled here this afternoon. No souls are going to be lost or saved by the final figures on the scoreboard. No great cause is at stake. It is one of those pleasures which Thou hast meant for Thy chil-

dren to enjoy. Do not let us spoil it by forgetting that it is just a game — to be enjoyed today, talked about tomorrow and forgotten the day afterward. Keep us mindful of this, dead God, for we are human and we easily lose our perspective and allow the things that are most important to become the victim of the things that are least important.

In Thy presence it is clear that the really important thing here today is not the visible score but the invisible spirit which all of us — players and spectators alike — shall manifest. For the young men who play, our prayer is that they shall maintain the spirit of good sportsmanship throughout every moment of the game. If possible, preserve their bodies from physical injury, but because it is more important, preserve their minds and souls from every unworthy intention or act.

For ourselves, our prayer is that we shall have a kindly spirit which transcends our separate loyalties; that we shall be careful to show good manners as becomes mature people; and that every thought, word and deed of ours shall strengthen the bond of admiration and respect between these two fine schools. May we be gracious in defeat or humble in victory.

We make this prayer sincerely, for we know that when the spirit and the act are good and right, everybody wins and nobody loses. So let it be with us here today.

For Thy name's sake, Amen.

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## The Coach Returns

We were recently invited to make a talk at a football banquet at Albertville, Alabama. Ordinarily, there would be nothing newsworthy about making a speech at Albertville, but this was no ordinary occasion. It was at Albertville that the speaker began his coaching career in the fall of 1923. It was there he was initiated into Masonry and it was there he met a beautiful teacher of dramatics who became his wife. It is a touching experience for a coach to return after thirty years to the scene of his first venture. Rich memories crowd in upon you and flood your heart with emotion. Many of the boys who played on our first team were there: John Garrett, Wheeler Garrett, Russell Garrett, "Rabbit" Curry, Lonnie Curry, Wilkins Jackson, Brice Hatley, Chester Portwood, Neil Luther, Plimmer Hill, James Alford, Tommy Maddox. Homer Weathers, one of our staunch backers, was there as chipper as ever. The absence of Cy Huiet, Bill Prickett and Dr. Ernest Hyatt gave a note of sadness. These fine sportsmen had passed away since we were there.

We had little difficulty calling the starting line-up of that first team which we fielded in 1923: ENDS — "Red" Garrett, Arnold Shirey. TACKLES — Carl

Moseley, Roy Boozer. GUARDS — Neal Strickland, "Smiles" Barnes. CENTER — Cecil Floyd. BACKS — Conrad Baker, Jesse Aldridge, Guy Robinson and "Rabbit" Curry.

We could not remember scores of the various games played during our three-year tenure there. Neither could the boys remember. No one could be sure of our win and loss record, except for one year when we went undefeated up to the Blountsville game. This was an impressive reminder of a fact we have always preached — the score is not the most important objective of the game.

Don't get us wrong! We have always wanted to win and have coached our teams to fight for every yard, foot and inch of ground that lies between them and the double stripe. But, after the dust of many years settles on the field, what do you remember? It is not the score! You remember the boys, their attitudes, their responses to you and to their assignments.

So, when the old coach returns for a reunion, he is not returning to a list of scores or to records his teams compiled. He is returning to old memories to renew ties of friendship. He is returning to his boys whom he coached and taught and he hopes helped along life's way.

## THE TEMPLE OF ATHLETES

By EARL J. MOORE

*This poem was submitted by Earl J. Moore, basketball coach at Sumter High School, Sumter, South Carolina. It reflects his philosophy of basketball which was embodied in his article on basketball which we carried in the February, 1951 issue.*

Come worship son  
Amid the fun  
Where you, my boy, belong;  
Come worship son  
Where athletes run  
To sing the world a song.

The door is wide,  
So come inside  
And learn to play the game  
You never lose;  
Now get your shoes  
And jump into the flame.

You learn to share  
And play it fair,  
And take it on the chin;  
You learn to give  
And how to live  
Whether you lose or win.

The goal is high  
And it takes an eye  
To shoot the ball so true;  
But always try  
And do or die  
And you will make a few.

You run and jump  
And with a thump  
You lay it up to score,  
Or aim it high  
And let it fly  
And listen to the roar.

We try to crack  
By planned attack  
The stand of any foe;  
We strive to bounce  
With every ounce  
The force of any blow.

We play for all  
And pass the ball  
Until we get a try;  
We play to win,  
But learn to grin  
And never alibi.

So work and pray  
And laugh and play,  
And cheer the victory fleet,  
But learn the art  
Of a happy heart  
That rises from defeat.

Come worship boy  
And seek the joy  
That is mingled with the strife  
Come worship boy  
And find that joy,  
And win the game of life!

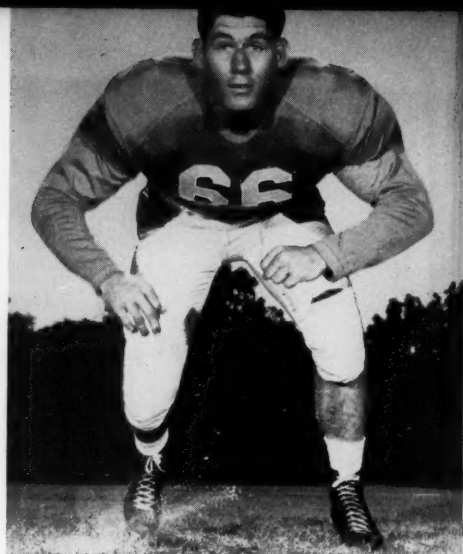




**OX  
EMERSON**

and

**HERBERT  
GRAY**



# COACH & ATHLETE

By WILBUR EVANS

UNIVERSITY of Texas football fans foresee a bright future for their youthful gridiron forces because there's a definite touch of Gray in the Longhorn picture.

The rise to prominence of Herbert Gray, Texas' sophomore right tackle, has been gradual, but everything the rugged youngster has accomplished was done quickly and explosively. It's those qualities which moved him from second string left guard to the starting lineup in the space of four games this fall.

"Herb moved up on a combination of his intense competitive spirit, his fine reaction and footwork which enables him to get away from blockers and get to the ball carrier, and the explosive quality of his movements," says Line Coach Ox Emerson.

There's no denying that Gray is destined for greatness. His tremendous display of determination and aggressiveness in the Oklahoma game earned him a promotion to the starting right tackle post for the beginning of the rugged Southwest Conference race against Arkansas.

Since then he's enjoyed considerable success both offensively and defensively. Playing both ways isn't new for Gray, either, because he played on both units as an all-stater at Baytown High School and as a freshman at Texas. But he prefers defense, if he must make a choice.

"I just like to go after that ball carrier," Gray explains.

But to question his offensive ability would be underrating him.

"Quickness plus determination," Emerson claims, "enable him to blast the man ahead of him out of there. He's a hard worker and always in good condition. And, once again, it's the explosive quality of his movements that help him overcome the weight advantage he often has to give away."

At 205 pounds, Gray is smaller than the average collegiate tackle, but there's a growing suspicion that none of the larger men are playing better football than the wiry sophomore.

Gray's meteoric rise to stardom was climaxed when Texas upset mighty Baylor, 21-20. In giving one of the battle's greatest individual performances, he covered his territory well, often forcing Baylor backs into the arms of other tacklers while getting in at least seven tackles himself. His vicious tackling jarred L. G. Dupre away from the ball early in the game and he also recovered a fumble that set the Longhorns up for their winning touchdown.

His sterling performance inspired one writer to describe Gray as "easily the outstanding lineman in the distinguished company of several all-America candidates."

Much of the credit for Gray's early success belongs to Emerson, who has

coached the brilliant youngster ever since he entered Texas. Ox was head freshman coach last fall when Gray began his football career at Texas and began grooming him for greatness then. He continued the work this fall after being promoted to varsity line coach. By now everyone agrees that the team of Emerson and Gray is tough to beat.

Emerson is recognized as one of Texas' greatest linemen of all time. He was an all-SWC guard as a senior in 1930 when Ed Price, the Longhorn head coach, was a sophomore. Ox joined the Detroit Lions in 1931 and was named an all-pro lineman during five of his eight seasons in professional football.

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# FACTORS IN WINNING BASKETBALL

By EMIL HANICAK

Basketball Coach, White Oak (Tex.) H. S.

Of prime importance in producing a winning basketball team is the attitude of the players. Boys who have a good competitive spirit, who like the game and want to play it are the ones that any coach wants on his squad. It is an advantage, of course, if the boy has height, speed, and natural ability; but it is equally important that he be a hustler and be willing to put forth his best effort at all times. There is no place for a loafer on any team.

Basketball is a game of teamwork. Each player must be made to feel that he is just one important part of a team. One of the biggest jobs that a coach has is in the training of his boys to pass up individual glory in the interest of team harmony. For some boys the temptation to try to be an individual star is great and must be overcome by constant effort. It helps a great deal to foster the desired relationship and to overcome jealousies if the boys on the team associate with each other most of the time. If they study together and have other interests in common, they know and understand each other better.

Sometimes sports writers and fans will give certain boys on the team more praise than they give to others. This tends to cause dissension on the ball club; but it is the job of the coach to make the boys realize that those who deserve the praise should get it.

If we want the boys to learn that the "success of one is the success of all," there must be co-operation among the members of the coaching staff. Boys learn from the examples set before them. In a small school where practically the same group of boys must compete in all sports, this example of co-operation is especially important. A coach should encourage a boy to come out for all sports and not just for the one sport in which that coach is most interested. To do otherwise is but to tear down the very spirit of teamwork for which he has been striving.

All through the season while the coach is drilling his squad in the fundamentals of the game, he must continually work to build up the morale of his team. If the team is to be a success, each player must be not only able but willing to do his part. Each player must work as hard at defense as he does at offense. There has been much discussion in recent years concerning the



*Coach Emil Hanicak graduated from Stephen F. Austin State College where he lettered two years in basketball and was chosen all-conference guard. He began his coaching career at Laneville High School where he produced county and district championship teams. In 1938 he moved to Carlisle High School where he produced another county championship team.*

*Hanicak joined the White Oak coaching staff in 1946. During the seven years here he has built up basketball from a game in which little interest was shown to a very popular sport in the community. Two years after he took over as basketball mentor at White Oak his team won the first cage title in its history. His teams have never placed lower than second in the district. In 1953 his White Oak Roughnecks won the State Class A Basketball Championship.*

relative importance of offense and defense in producing a winning basketball team. At White Oak, we try to maintain a balance between offense and defense because we feel that any factor that improves one will be of value to the other.

In order to maintain this balance, we think that defense must be stressed from the beginning of the season. A boy naturally likes to play offense better than defense because the first thing he learns about basketball is to score and to practice shooting at the basket. Too, the spectators tend to give more credit to the star offensive players.

So the coach must spend a lot of time in developing a strong defense in order to have a well-rounded team. The coach can help to make his team defense-minded by praising good defensive play. A boy soon becomes proud of the ability to hold a high-scoring opponent to a few points.

Most coaches agree that a player must learn individual defense before he can play any of the other types successfully. The average boy comes to high school basketball with little defensive training. He must be taught the importance of good defense and pride in being a good defensive player. He must learn to be self-confident and aggressive.

The fundamentals of good defensive play are the same regardless of the system of defense that you plan to use. In teaching individual defense, the coach should drill on switching, checking and screening. He should emphasize speed in picking up the assigned man, good footwork and balance. The players learn balance through practicing on correct stance, sliding, shifting and getting in proper position. It is important to learn proper position because poor position gives the opponent the opportunity to score and may cause the player to foul. The defensive player must learn to get the ball and avoid excessive fouling. He should always keep his eye on the ball and try to intercept bad passes. He must learn to run with the dribbler, forcing him to the outside if he can. A good defensive man will talk to his teammates while on defense, peppering them up and keeping them alert.

Proper defensive procedure must be taught through daily drills. Some of the drills used are one-on-one, two-on-two, three-on-three, two-on-one, and three-on-two. At White Oak, we favor three-on-two and three-on-three as conditioning drills for both defense and offense.

For the three-on-two drill we use the whole court. We form three lines with the players, matching the players according to their ability. They bring the ball down by dribbling or passing and try to score. The middle man does not shoot. This helps the defensive boys to learn to stop the dribbler as quickly as possible and then to pick up their man. They also learn to stay between the offense players and the basket. During this drill the coach can help correct  
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# DARING DEFENSES

By DOBY HOLDEN

Head Coach, Pearl River Junior College  
Poplarville, Miss.

SINCE I travel around to these coaching clinics primarily to pick up ideas from high school coaches, it is only right that I should share some of my ideas with them. Last year's ball club made my defensive ideas look good. I'll write this while they still look that way.

Coaching, I believe, is a matter of taking what is normally done and trying to do it better—and different in some cases. Some of our ideas are not exactly orthodox. For one thing, I am a firm believer that in high school and junior college, we can get along better on defense with smaller, faster, more agile, more mature boys. I am certain that some of the boys we have to use cannot perform the things on defense that college juniors and seniors can. Tech showed that the type boy mentioned here can do the job at the big college level, too. We cannot wait for that big boy to get his coordination, so we use the smaller ones on defense. It is hard to say which is responsible for the other—the defenses we use are a result of the type boy we get or we get

*After winding up his athletic career at L.S.U., Mr. Holden coached with a great deal of success at two Mississippi high schools, Picayune and Pascagoula. Five years ago he went to Pearl River where his teams have built up a national reputation. His 1952 team won the Mississippi Junior College Conference and was a leading candidate for the Junior Rose Bowl.*

*Holden is liked for his ready wit and soft-spoken manner and respected for his many innovations.*

the type boy we do to go with our defensive ideas.

One of the things that we do that others refer to as "screwball" is to dive our ends at dive plays. When this defense is called, the defensive ends dive for a point behind the offensive tackle and well in front of the near halfback. This maneuver is very effective if not used too often. It stops the quick play, keeps the quarterback from handing to the full, and forces the split T optional to commit soon. Naturally, the tackle or the backer-up must compensate.

Speaking of slanting, we do two things that we believe helps our defense. We slant across the heads of the opponents and we slant only three of the interior linemen at times. In slanting only three, we will let all slant except the defensive left tackle, let's say. The other players who are slanting will compensate in their slants for the fact that this particular one is playing it normally. After all, the primary aspect of defense, anyhow, is compensation.

The third thing that I will mention is the placing of our players in what I call the "one-half" defenses. We play a 6½ Right, for example. Much has been written about the fact that every defense is either an "even" or an "odd" alignment. The object of this type defense then is to change the alignment of the men just one-half a man either way and from any normal set so that the defense will be neither "odd" nor "even." The defense will more closely

resemble the one than the other, but the men will be off just enough to confuse the blocking assignments. This is a lot like the theory of Herman Hickman, who placed his defensive men in the spot to which they would slant or loop without doing it.

No matter what type defense is used, there must be proper spacing and compensation. At the Georgia clinic, I talked to an Atlanta coach who told about the lop-sided five that almost stopped the great Brown team a few years ago. The defensive left tackle played head and head with Cecil Traynor, the great end. He was not allowed to get out. The other players were properly spaced from that tackle. The linebackers compensated for the alignment. The defense was beaten when the spacing broke down.

Although stunting may beat you in the end, unusual maneuvers and alignments must be employed by any team. The question is mostly how often or how long to use them. I will say that Georgia Tech does more of this stunting and gets away with it longer than any major ball club in history. Of course, those big linebackers do help a lot. A good example of stunting is the "stack" defense that I have heard about. Playing a five-man line, this team had the middle linebacker step into the back of the middle guard and leap both lines. This really disrupted the other team—but they did it too often and the offense changed the count on them. Firing the backer-ups is a stunt that almost everyone employs a lot and has become standard.

Just two more ideas and I'll stop. I believe that one should play a defense that he thinks will work with his boys no matter what the "experts" say. The looping line went well for a long time and one pro team still uses it a lot, but some college coach lectured about getting caught in the middle of the loop and everyone stopped it. As I recall, the sliding line was taboo at one time in football history. Look at it now!

The other thing that I'll mention is the fact that if the defense would get lower, all this brush blocking would have to be abandoned.

As usual, I have been glad to exchange ideas with the real pioneers of the game—the high school coaches.

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## THE SAFETY

By OLE TIMER  
(Edwin Camp)

**A** GEORGIA TECH team, which had been outplayed by Southern Methodist for 30-odd minutes but which nursed a 6-0 lead, found itself in a punting situation near its own goal last October 3.

The snapback to Davis, Tech's fine punter, was bad. Deep in the end zone he finally got hold of the ball and ran with it. He was hit hard, fumbled and S.M.U. recovered it a scant yard from goal.

Tech's defense rallied superbly, held for five downs (including one with both off side) and regained possession at the 1. Whereupon, probably on order from the bench, the Tech quarterback gave S.M.U. an intentional safety.

It was easy to say, after the fact, that Davis should have made the safety in the first crisis. There was little probability he could run far, and had he fumbled a fraction of a second sooner S.M.U. would have had a touchdown. That the boy had made a mistake of judgment in the heat of action was indicated by the subsequent yielding of 2 points to get out of jeopardy.

Just before the end of the game, Tech again sought to kick from near its goal. Jack Gunlock, a dynamic tackle, batted the ball and it went out of the end zone for an automatic safety. In this misfortune, Tech had a climactic bit of good luck. If the ball had not been given such strong impetus, S.M.U. probably would have recovered for a touchdown.

Anyway, by utilizing an intentional safety and profiting by another which was an accident of play, Tech contrived to defeat, 6-4, a team which that day was very much better.

Three weeks later University of Texas was leading Rice, 13-7, late in

the fourth period and Rice was showing an offensive power that alarmed the Texas coaches. When the Longhorns got the ball near their own goal, Fullback Tolar intentionally grounded it in the end zone in order to kick from the 20. Rice roared back but again had to surrender the ball short of goal. Again Tolar committed a safety. One cannot be certain from the press reports whether this was intentional or enforced, but anyway it seemed to save a victory for Texas with the score, 13-11.

The hope was vain. Fullback Kosse Johnson returned the ensuing punt 34 yards. Two pass plays covered 45 yards and scored the winning touchdown with less than a minute left.

These games with a team making two safeties provide unusual examples of resort to the intentional safety as a strategem, but in recent seasons coaches all over the country seem to have been briefing their teams on its profitable use.

Thus, we have a return to the principles of primitive football as played in the '70s and '80s. In those remote times the safety was a tremendous factor in every game. It was a tactic used often. A team would retreat 15 yards or more to gain the privilege of a punt without molestation, or a scrimmage, from the 25-yard line.

In the earlier years of football there was no penalty in the score for a safety. Also there was no requirement of surrender of the ball for failure to gain a stipulated distance. Unless a team kicked or fumbled, it could retain possession. In the Yale game of 1880, Princeton held the ball throughout the whole second half and achieved a satisfying tie. To do so, it made 11 safeties.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This is another in a series of stories relating to sports and sports personalities of by-gone years. If you have an interesting story or picture of coaches or players of a decade or more ago, we invite you to submit them. Mail all material to: Sports Scrapbook, COACH & ATHLETE, 310 Buckhead Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

In 1881, there was another scoreless tie. Princeton put the ball in play and retained possession for the 40 minutes of the first half. Yale did likewise after putting the ball in play for the second half.

Such a travesty on sportsmanly competition enforced a change in the rules. For a few years thereafter the penalty for a safety was 1 point. Then it was raised to 2.

Gradually it went out of fashion as a tactic and for many years it occurred only as a misfortune of play. One of the most memorable games of all time, that between Chicago and Michigan in 1905, was decided by a punt dropped behind his own goal by Denny Clark, Michigan halfback. He was so abused by his fellow students and so denounced in the press for stupidity that he fled college and became a hermit in the North Woods.

After that season, with the situation in mind, the Rules Committee legislated that a punt crossing the goal line became an automatic touchback and forbade any attempt to run the ball out, a rule that stood until three or four years ago.

It is difficult to understand why for several decades the intentional safety was obsolete. But the New York University-Georgetown game of 1927 brought sharply to the attention of coaches its potential as a defensive strategem of supreme importance in suitable circumstances.

That game was a great upset. Chick Meehan's N.Y.U. team, spearheaded by the incomparable fullback, Ken Strong, was quite the most powerful in the East. Lou Little's Georgetown eleven was given hardly a chance. But a Georgetown back picked up an N.Y.U. fumble and, under the existing rules, ran the length of the muddy field for the only touchdown.

With a minute left, Georgetown got the ball by a goal-line stand and Jim Mooney, whose punting had thwarted N.Y.U. time and again, proposed a safety. His quarterback demurred, saying Coach Little had not sanctioned any such play.

Mooney said, "I'm captain of this team and I'll take the responsibility."

Mooney received the snap and put the ball down in the end zone. His team moved to the 20, from which  
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## WINNING BASKETBALL

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the stance and footwork of each defensive player.

We favor the three-on-three drill because it fits our pattern of offense. In this drill each player on the first team spends five minutes on offense and five minutes on defense every day. We use only half of the court for this drill. The boy with the ball sets up the pattern of play, going either to the inside or to the outside. If he goes to the outside, the defensive boy learns to step back and let his defensive teammate slide through. If he goes to the inside to set up a screen, it teaches the boys to switch men. The defensive boys must come almost together before they switch to keep the offense from going up the middle or to prevent the use of the turn-around play. We believe that good offense and defense can be developed by this drill.

In our workouts, we teach our boys to play all types of defense so that they will be ready for any style of offense that the opponent may use. For example if we play a team that has a big, high scoring post man, we place a man in front of him. He is instructed to stay in front of the post man at all times, and his teammates help him by sagging-in whenever necessary.

Although we stress defense, we do not neglect offense. It has been said that a team's offense begins with its defense because the team must first gain possession of the ball in order to start an offense. A good defensive player can get the ball by interception, giving his team more chances to score.

The basis of offense is passing and breaking or cutting. Drills on these principles are included in daily practice. We stress good ball handling. We want each man on offense to work for a minimum number of bad passes, control of the boards, and proper dribbling down the base line after he gets the ball if he cannot pass off. We try not to over-emphasize the dribble, but we want each boy to practice dribbling until he has good control of the ball and does not have to watch the ball as he dribbles. The ability to dribble is necessary for good ball handling, and we stress the use of the dribble as well as the pass to advance the ball to the goal. We have daily dribbling drills.

We also use shooting drills and taking a number of shots from a certain spot on the floor. Each man must learn to shoot while closely guarded. We

build our offense around the one-hand shot with the proper wrist break. The boy is taught to keep his eye on the goal and not to watch the ball after it leaves his hand.

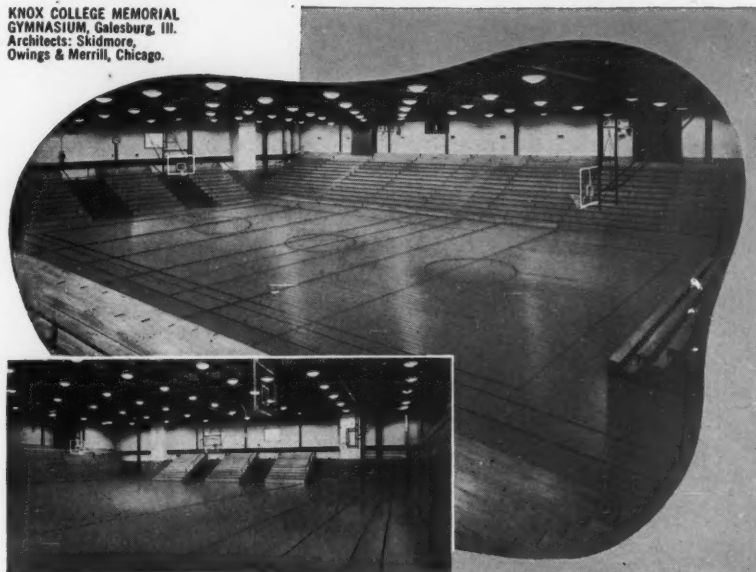
Whether you stress defense or offense, rebounding is an essential factor to be considered. A team with rebounding power will win most of its games because possession of the ball through rebounding will give them more shots.

We use some simple drills that we think are effective in developing proper rebounding techniques. Early in the season, we use three men around the

basket and have them practice tipping the ball in. The ball is thrown on to the backboard and they jump until it is tipped in. Each boy works at this drill for five minutes every day. As the season progresses, we vary the drill and add more men until the entire team is working together. We usually start our scrimmages with this drill.

Through the use of rebounding drills the boys learn split timing, balance, position and stance. They also teach them to take care of the bodily contact which is so common under the basket.

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## BARBARA TATUM

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Lovely Barbara Tatum is our page-brightener this month. Barbara was the University of Alabama's beauty chosen to represent the Tuscaloosa institution for all the Cotton Bowl activities. The memories of the game will always linger in Barbara's mind as she is engaged to Bill Oliver, star halfback for the Crimson Tide and this was Bill's last collegiate game.

Aside from her beauty, Miss Tatum is outstanding in other phases of campus activities. She is a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma social sorority; Women's Spirit Committee; Caroline Hunt Club and the Y.W.C.A.

Barbara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther S. Tatum, 3185 Arden Road, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia. The 19-year-old beauty is majoring in interior decorating at 'Bama. Barbara, a sophomore, is 5' 7", has dark brown hair and green eyes. Her other vital statistics read 34, 24½, and 34.

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PAUL GIEL — Minnesota

Paul Giel, University of Minnesota's outstanding back, made eight All-American teams this year, including Look, Colliers, Associated Press, United Press and International News Service. He was voted "Back of the Year" by the Associated Press, and was also named most valuable player in the Big Ten Conference for the second straight season in a poll of coaches and officials. Giel is the only college football player in history to handle the ball over 1,000 times during any three-year span. The "Winona Wonder" handled the ball 1,056 times from 1951-'53 to break the NCAA record of 989 set by TCU's Lindy Berry in 1946, '47 and '49. Paul also set three Big Ten marks and three school records. He rushed 163 times to top the record of 147; rushed and passed 53 times to break the Big Ten record of '49; and participated in 232 rushes to pass the record of 223. The 281 yards gained rushing and passing against Michigan, the '53 plays against Michigan and the 457 yards gained by passing versus Conference teams were all new Minnesota records. Noted sports writers, sportscasters and coaches have heaped praise upon Giel. He is very popular with teammates and fellow students. He is friendly and straightforward; impresses with his poise on and off the athletic field. Paul is a native of Winona, Minnesota, where he attended school and played football, baseball and basketball. He would like to play major league baseball after school and later coach either baseball or football.

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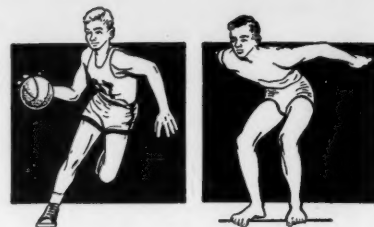
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## MEMO TO MEMBERS

Four hundred delegates attended the annual meeting of the Amateur Athletic Union held in Washington the week of December 7th. Much was accomplished for the further advancement of amateur sports, including the launching of America's preparations to be adequately represented in the II Pan American Games at Mexico City in March, 1955; in the VII Olympic Winter Games at Cortina, Italy, January 26th to February 5th, 1956; and in the Games of the XVI Olympiad at Melbourne, November 24th to December 8th, 1956. Everyone of the 99 representatives on Games Committees were in attendance at the quadrennial meeting of the United States Olympic Association. Forty-two of the forty-seven district associations remained in Washington for the Olympic meetings.

Mr. Louis G. Wilke, President of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, requested the delegates, alternates and committeemen to "get on the ball" and help provide a bigger and better program for the youth of our country. His list of suggestions to this end follows:

- (1) To double the number of registered athletes in every district.
- (2) To schedule more open meets in all sports including novice and handicap events for women.
- (3) To have every district association conduct local championships in every sport. (It is mandatory for each district to conduct annually a track and field championship.)
- (4) To obtain sponsors for the holding of the Age Group, Junior Olympics and Physical Fitness programs.
- (5) To establish an office for your district headquarters with telephone listing. Those districts with limited funds can at least obtain desk space in a good location at one of your member clubs, YMCA's or similar organization.
- (6) To get behind the A.A.U. Fund Drive this year for an improved A.A.U.
- (7) To have your district represented at all national championship events."

*Editor's Note: The Georgia A.A.U. has made arrangements with COACH & ATHLETE for office services for the association. Our address is 310 Buckhead Avenue, N. E., Atlanta 5, Georgia. Telephone EXchange 7982. Members may contact us for information regarding committee chairmen, schedule of meets, etc. The 1954 officers are listed on this page. Space does not permit the listing of all committee chairmen, but this information was carried in the November issue.*

*COACH & ATHLETE gladly accepts this new challenge for service to amateur athletics and will welcome suggestions any time from any member or those interested in A.A.U. activities.*

## A.A.U. MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The basketball committee at the A.A.U. Convention in Washington, November 30th, approved a plan for reducing the number of teams entering the national tournament. Under this plan, the associations were divided into eighteen groups, and one team from each group may enter the championships. Willard N. Greim, tournament manager, is charged with putting the plan into effect for the 1954 tournament and is authorized to make necessary modifications. Mr. Greim has set up the following time schedule:

- (1) Association championship completed before March 1, 1954.
- (2) Group winner determined not later than March 7, 1954.
- (3) Entries for championships close March 7, 1954.
- (4) Championship play begins March 14 and ends March 20.

### ENTRIES ACCEPTED

- (1) Four service teams (winners from service tournaments).
- (2) Four NIBL teams (five, if Denver is not one of the top four).
- (3) Nineteen winners from A.A.U. groupings.
- (4) Maximum number of teams — twenty-eight.

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## A.A.U. CARDS

### ATTENTION, COACHES AND ATHLETES!

It is necessary that all athletes obtain a registration card before competing in an A.A.U. sanctioned meet. The proper procedure is to fill out an application for registration blank and have it signed by your coach or some officer of the club you represent. In case you are not representing an organization but are competing "unattached," then the application must contain the signature of three reputable citizens.

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1. Please obtain your A.A.U. card *now*.
2. Answer all the questions asked in the blank.
3. Be sure that you and an officer or coach of your club sign the blank.
4. Before signing the blank, read the eleven definitions of an amateur.
5. You may not represent an organization unless it is a member of the Georgia A.A.U.
6. Carry your card with you to all competitions.

## KOPF REPORTS

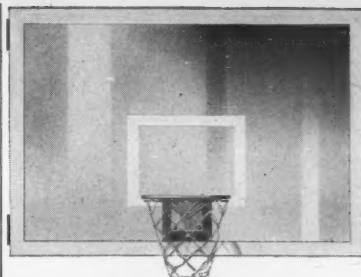
Frank Kopf has returned from the meeting of the A.A.U. and Olympic Association in Washington and gives us this report.

The annual meeting of the Amateur Athletic Union in Washington, Nov. 28, was attended by B. W. Gabrielson, University of Georgia; Arthur S. Benton, A.A.C.; Charles Cooper, Sr., of Augusta; Mrs. Evelyn Richards, Rex Chair Co.; Karo Whitfield, of Atlanta, and Frank A. Kopf, A.A.C., all from the Georgia Assn., A.A.U.

Louis G. Wilke of Bartlesville, Okla., was elected president to succeed Douglas F. Roby of Detroit. The Georgia Association applied for permission to hold several national championships in 1954 and was granted the Horseshoe Pitching Championship tournament, and several individual swimming championship races.

On November 30, the United States Olympic Association held its quadrennial meeting. H. L. (Tug) Wilson of the Western Conference was elected president to succeed Avery Brundage who had been president for the past twenty-five years. Brundage had been elected to head the International Olympic Federation and felt that he could not hold both offices. The name "American Olympic Association" was dropped when the name "United States Olympic Association" was used in the act of Congress, PL805, 81st Congress, which makes the body a federal corporation.

A new constitution was laboriously adopted, committees appointed for the 1956 Olympic games, and plans for a fund raising campaign to finance them were made. This is the only country in the world that finances its Olympic Game participation by popular subscription and without help of the national treasury.



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## A.A.U. CONVENTION REPORT

By Art Benton

This Convention was attended by a large number of delegates from the entire United States and Hawaii. The following delegates represented the Georgia A.A.U.: Art S. Benton, Charles Cooper, Sr., B. W. Gabrielson, General Frank Kopf, Mrs. E. E. Richards and Karo Whitfield.

This Convention voted a change in the eligibility of professional athletes in relation to their future competition in amateur athletics. This change permits a professional athlete to apply for amateur status to the National Board of Governors for reinstatement five years after he has ceased to compete as a professional. If he is reinstated by the National Board of Governors, he is then eligible to compete with amateurs in any sport other than that in which he was a professional under the following restrictions: He will not be eligible to compete in any State or National Championships nor in any International or Olympic Competition. He cannot compete in any competition where admission is charged or a collection taken. His registration card must show that he has been reinstated after having been a professional.

This legislation was promoted for the great number of industrial employees who desire to participate in amateur athletics. It is our opinion that in this Association we will not be called upon for any reinstatements because of the very rigid restrictions. It is also our opinion that the bars have not been let down in any appreciable degree for professionals to compete with amateurs.

The National Board of Governors also amended General Rule No. 2, Paragraph 3,



### GAIL BENTON DEMONSTRATES CORRECT DIVING FORM

Gail is another of the many athletes who have been developed through A.A.U. competition. She took to the water seriously in 1948 when she had to make a choice between basketball and swimming. She chose swimming with the full knowledge that long arduous hours of practice lay between her and her goal — membership on the American Olympic team. Under the tutelage of her father, Art Benton, who was a diver at Purdue University, she has come far. She is the City, State and Southeastern Women's Diving Champion and has won the Havalanta championship four consecutive years. During the past five years, she has ranked from 7th to 3rd in national competition. In 1952 she placed 3rd in the National Senior Women's Indoor Championship at Daytona, Florida. She failed by only 4.28 points to qualify for the Women's Olympic Team at the Olympic Try-Outs held in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Gail is a junior, majoring in art, at the Atlanta Division of the University of Georgia. She is on the dean's list and is active in all student activities. Besides her athletic prowess, she is endowed with natural charm and beauty which enhances her popularity. With her outstanding talent and her will to succeed, she should become one of America's chief contenders for top diving honors.

so that the minimum they can charge an athlete for a registration card is 50c.

The Georgia Association was awarded the National Horseshoe Pitching Championship for 1954 on competitive bidding. This is the first National Championship which this Association has held and we anticipate close cooperation in making it a successful one, especially since the 1952 champion and the 1953 runner-up was Mr. Ray Griffin, of Atlanta.

The Board of Governors adopted a fourth swimming stroke which has already been approved by the Olympic Committee. The four strokes will now consist of freestyle, back stroke, breast stroke (which was formerly known as the conventional breast stroke) and the butterfly stroke. The fourth stroke, which is the butterfly stroke, may be done either with a scissors kick or a dolphin kick. We anticipate that many swimmers will learn the dolphin kick with the butterfly stroke as it is much faster than the scissors kick.

For the next year, at least, for events of 100 yds. or less the new butterfly stroke (either with scissors or dolphin kick) will be used. For events in excess of 100 yards the breast stroke will be used.

All medley relays will now consist of the above-mentioned four strokes. Also all individual medley events will contain the four above-mentioned strokes.

The order of the medley relay will be backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly stroke and freestyle. The order of the individual medley will

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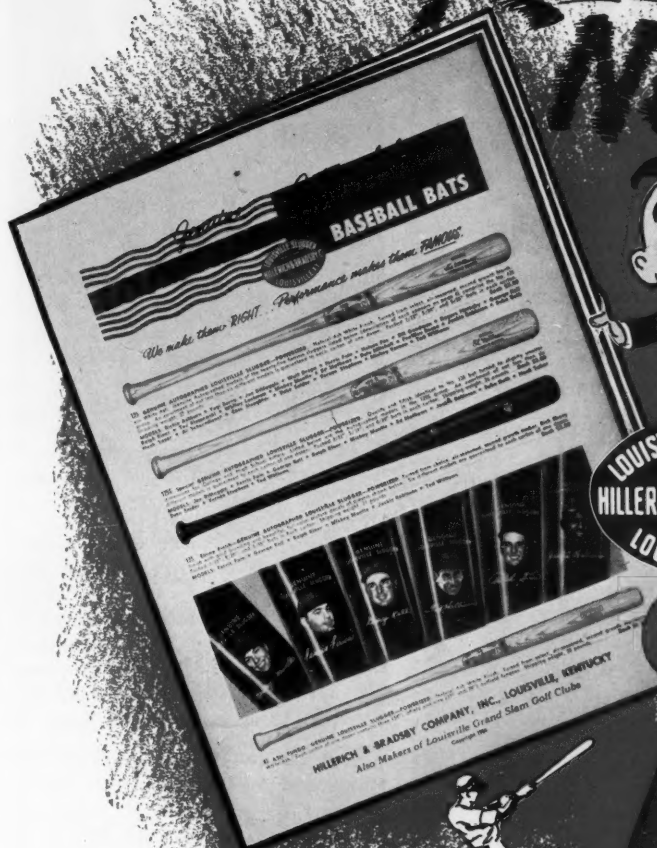
The Georgia Association was awarded the Women's 400-Yard Indoor Individual Medley Junior National Championship and the 250-yard Outdoor Backstroke. The Junior National Events for the men was the Indoor 440-yard Freestyle and for Outdoor the 880-yard Freestyle.

The Women's Indoor Senior National Event will be held at Daytona Beach, Florida, April 16, 17 and 18. The Senior Women's Outdoor Event will be in Indianapolis the second weekend in August.

The Senior Men's Indoor will be held at Yale on a date to be announced. There has been no bid as yet for the Senior Men's Outdoor.

All concerned at the Board of Governors meeting were very enthusiastic over the great number of children competing in Junior Olympics during 1953. We think it a very fine program to stimulate interest of the young folks in swimming and track and the Co-Chairmen, Messrs. B. W. Gabrielson, Swimming Coach at the University of Georgia, and Charles Cooper, Sr., Director of Recreation in Augusta, Georgia, have active plans for the Georgia Association for the coming year.

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# ATLANTA PEACHES

**T**HE popular and nationally famous Atlanta Peaches Girls' Basketball Team is looking forward to their tenth season with much enthusiasm, as the Cage Season gets into full swing after the holiday season. The Peaches know they must be in top form to meet the opponents on their tough schedule which Coach "Shot-Gun" Waggoner always arranges for them. The Peaches are regarded as one of the finest girls' teams organized in AAU basketball play. This is accomplished by the careful selection made by Coach Waggoner each year in picking players for the team. They must possess outstanding basketball ability, and very good character, to uphold the high respect of The

Atlanta Peaches Team and the representation they give the State of Georgia.

The Peaches were first organized in 1943 during the war, when boys' teams were being broken up by boys leaving for service, and amateur basketball was at a low ebb. The thought occurred to Coach Waggoner to organize a good amateur girls' team, and the Peaches came into existence. During the first year of play, the Peaches played only other teams nearby Atlanta, and seldom made an out-of-town trip. The Peaches have come a long way since their first year and play in practically every Southern state, meeting the best teams available. They play in such cities as Winston-Salem, N. C.; New Orleans, La.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Nashville and



**ZETTA WORLEY** — Guard, who is product of Red Bud High School of Georgia.

Knoxville, Tenn., and others where competition is available. During this time the Peaches have had their share of victories. The Peaches have participated at the National A.A.U. Championship Tournament for the past four years, and have always made a remarkable showing in this strong field of play.

Quite naturally, the Peaches are not only known for their basketball ability, but for their beauty as well. This was proven at the National Tournament in 1952, when Gladys Kull was named runner-up to the National Beauty Queen at Wichita, Kansas, competing against entries from all other teams in the United States. This year the Peaches are made up of such outstanding players as Mai Stainbrook from McGhee, Arkansas; Evelyn Ramsey and Betty Sparks from Friendsville, Tennessee; Vida Clayton from Athens, Tennessee; and Doris Wallace, Jo Durham, Imogene Blair, Zetta Worley, Betty Waddell, June Stribling, Louise Vining and Marcia Maddox, who represent the various sections of Georgia.

People often wonder how these girls are acquired and what goes into making up a team of this type. In the first place, Coach Waggoner carries on a year-long scouting system with the various players in the State of Georgia, and nearby, and is constantly in attendance at the various high school games over the state, either as a spectator or as a referee, and keeps a watchful eye out for possible candidates for his team. Close touch is kept with the



**ATLANTA PEACHES 1952-53** — Front row (L. to R.) Doris Wallace, Jo Durham, Frances Wallace. Second row: Pansy Pinkston, Pat Tate, Vida Clayton, Martha Turner. Top row: Zetta Worley, Mai Stainbrook, Julie Carver, Carolyn McCurdy. Marcia Maddox not in picture.



various high school coaches, and in many instances they recommend certain girls who are interested in playing amateur ball after leaving high school. Most coaches feel that basketball is one of the finest sports for girls to participate in, and this has been proven in many instances, particularly in the state of Georgia, as practically every high school fields a girls' team.

Girls' basketball, as played by The Peaches, affords the girls many privileges they would not otherwise have, as every member is a working girl and holds a responsible job in the business world. She visits large cities of the United States and meets other girls from all sections of the country, who are enjoying the game of basketball under the same conditions. Every member of The Peaches is registered with the AAU and plays under the rules and regulations of the Amateur Athletic Union. The Peaches are always open for new candidates and any girls interested in joining The Peaches should contact Coach Waggoner at P. O. Box 6062, or by phone at CA1houn 5500. Yes, the Peaches enjoy playing basketball and we know you will enjoy playing with The Peaches. We know basketball fans will enjoy seeing The Peaches play.

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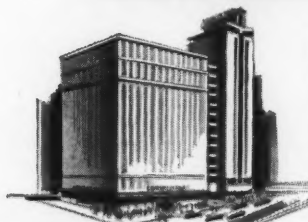
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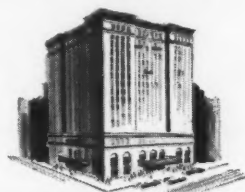
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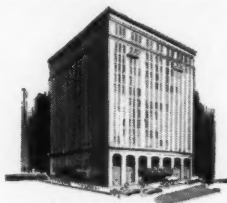
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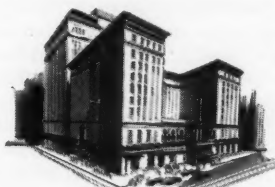
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## THE SAFETY

(Continued from page 20)

Mooney made a free kick which went out of bounds at N.Y.U.'s 12 and insured the victory which became the sensation of the season.

General Bob Neyland added a few refinements (if that is the fitting word) to the intentional safety in the Tennessee-Georgia Tech game of 1946.

Tennessee had a lead of 13-7 but as the game neared end, the Yellow Jackets began to tear up the patch. Backed against their own goal, Tennessee faced a fourth-down, plenty-to-go situation.

The General sent Walter Slater into the game, ostensibly to punt.

Slater took the snap and began to trot around in the end zone, to the bewilderment of the Yellow Jackets. He killed time until some of the Tech players sized up the situation and drove at him. Then he stepped out of the end zone.

Tech took the ball deep in its own territory after the free kick and got back to Tennessee's 20 before time ran out. But for Slater's adagio dance in the end zone, the Yellow Jackets might have had time for another, and winning play.

"If Slater had run out of the end zone and tried to break away, I'd have shot him," the General told Dodd after the game.



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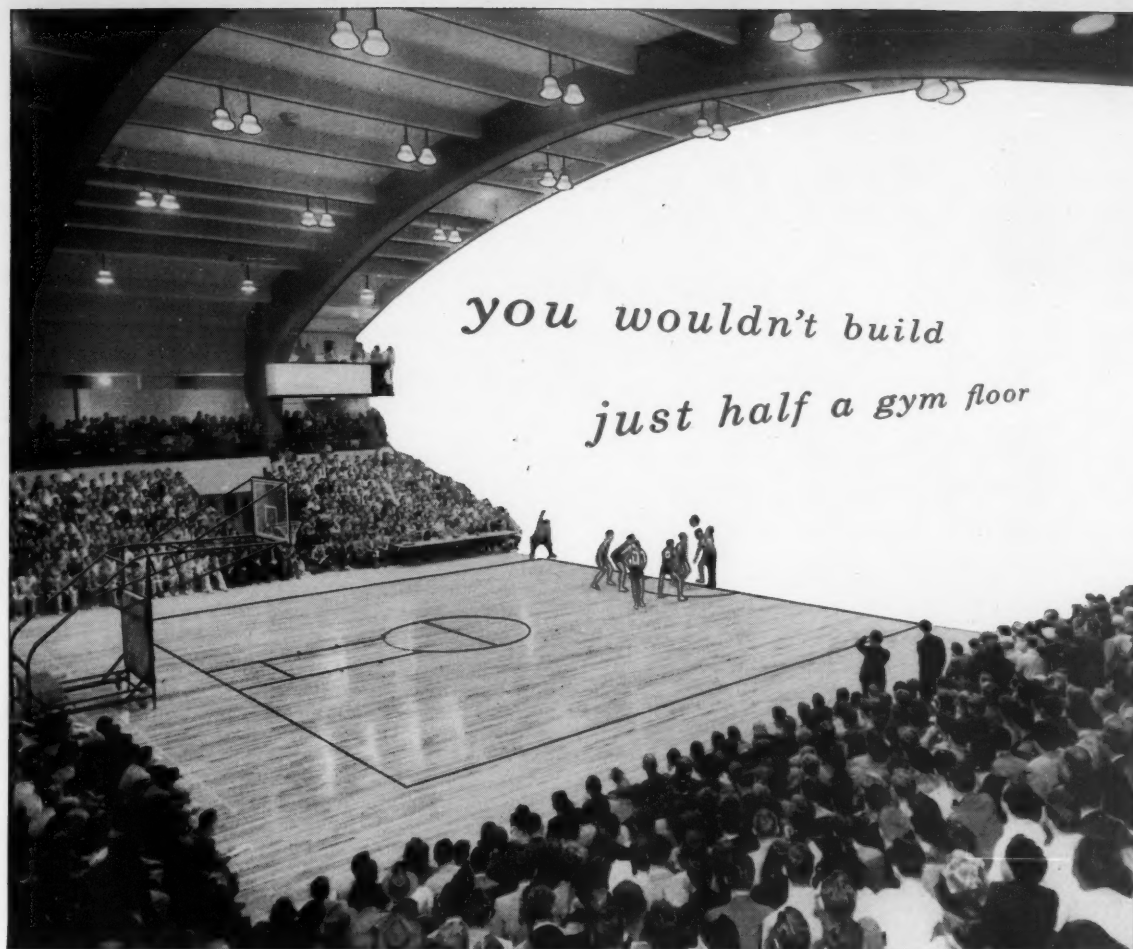
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# TRAVELING 'ROUND THE ATLANTIC COAST and SOUTHERN CONFERENCES

with JACK HORNER  
Special Staff Correspondent

Maryland, champion of the Atlantic Coast Conference, and West Virginia, holder of the same crown in the Southern Conference, took it on the chin in New Year's Day bowl appearances.

Maryland, voted the No. 1 team in the nation in most of the rating polls, fell before Oklahoma, No. 4 team in the country, in the Orange Bowl by 7-0. It was a defensive struggle.

West Virginia, which lost only one game during the regular gridiron campaign, was no match for Georgia Tech, losing a 42-19 decision in the Sugar Bowl. Tech filled the air with passes and walked off with an easy victory.

The defeat at the hands of Oklahoma was a bitter pill for Maryland to swallow. However, Maryland now knows exactly how Tennessee felt two years ago when the Tennesseans, ranked No. 1 in the nation, fell before third-ranked Maryland in the Sugar Bowl.

What made the Maryland defeat so difficult to take was for the Terrapins to pass up so many scoring opportunities. They had a first down on the Oklahoma three-yard line in the first quarter and four cracks at the line found them a foot short. Maryland had another first down on the Oklahoma nine-yard line in the same quarter and three smashes netted three yards before the Terrapins missed a fourth down field goal from the six-yard line.

The absence of All-America Quarterback Bernie Faloney, who saw action in five plays late in the ball game, was a big blow to Maryland's hopes. He nursed a knee injury sustained in the last game of the regular campaign against Alabama.

A 25-yard touchdown romp by Halfback Larry Grigg, the most outstanding performer of the game, carried Oklahoma to victory and prevented the game from being a scoreless stalemate.

It was the first of a two-game Orange Bowl pact with the Atlantic Coast Conference and Big Seven Conference, and officials of all three organizations met the day following the ball game and mapped plans for renewing the contract at the expiration of the present agreement. Radio and TV contracts expire next year, too.

West Virginia's first appearance in a major football bowl game saw the Mountaineers suffer a one-sided defeat at the hands of bowl-wise Georgia Tech, which was making its 10th appearance in these New Year's Day attractions.

The Mountaineers committed too many mistakes to give the Ramblin' Wreck any trouble. Coach Art (Pappy) Lewis, his players and all of West Virginia are confident the Mountaineers are a better ball club than they showed New Orleans on January 1.

Georgia Tech took to the air on the game's first play from scrimmage and had accounted for 233 aerial yards by the time the intermission rolled around.

Since West Virginia had rigged defenses aimed at stopping Tech's end sweeps and blasts through the line, it was caught flat-footed at the aerial attack flashed by Bobby Dodd's forces.

Tech completed 20 of 35 passes for 268 yards but West Virginia outrushed the Georgians, 223 yards to 170. The Mountaineers chalked up 19 first downs to Tech's 20, but four lost fumbles choked off as many advances.

Fast becoming one of the best holiday basketball attractions, if not the greatest in the land, is the Dixie Classic. The three-day event attracted 61,600 spectators into the N. C. State Coliseum, December 28-29-30, at Raleigh, N. C.

The eight competing teams share in the gate receipts, after expenses, and the 1953 round-robin competition was the richest in the five-year history of the hardwood affair.

N. C. State's famed Wolfpack, winner of the first four Dixie Classics, was dethroned. Navy's Middies whipped the Wolfpack in the semifinals, while the Middies bowed to Duke's Blue Devils in the championship finals.

Oregon State, featuring seven-foot, three-inch Swede Halbrook, was a pre-tournament co-favorite along with N. C. State. But Duke's unheralded quint upset the Pacific Coast Conference entry in the first round and knocked off tough Wake Forest in the semifinals to reach the finals opposite Navy.

Halbrook, one of the nation's most publicized players because of his tremendous height, managed only 16 field goals in three games. He scored 30 of his 62 points, almost half of his total, from the free throw line.

Final figures were not in at this writing, but the competing teams will get a neat check as their part of the receipts from the greatest basketball tournament ever staged in North Carolina — if not the entire nation.

Duke wasn't the only ACC team to capture one of the holiday cage titles. Maryland downed Kentucky Wesleyan, 54-37, to walk off with the All-America City Tournament at Owensboro, Ky.

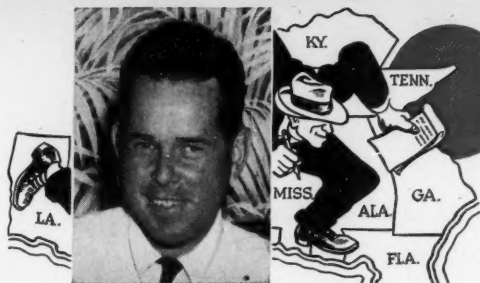
But South Carolina and Virginia had their troubles. The Gamecocks from South Carolina fell before St. Francis of Brooklyn and Denver University in the All-College Tournament at Oklahoma City.

Virginia U. whipped Virginia Tech for consolation honors in the Colonial Tournament at Washington, D. C., after the Cavaliers had bowed to George Washington in the first round.

George Washington swept the championship, defeating Richmond in the finals.

Furman lost all three of its games in the Oklahoma City tourney despite 121 points scored by Frank Selvy, truly an All-America basketball. Selvy hit 26, 45, and 50 points in that order.





# SECTIONAL Notes

By TOM SILER

Knoxville News-Sentinel

## Bowl Reflections

SEC football teams emerged from the annual New Year's Day frolics, to coin a phrase, bloody but unbowed.

Alabama felt the full fury of the Rice ground attack, said to be the most powerful running game seen in the Southwest in a decade. So, home folks won in Dallas.

Auburn made fatal mistakes. Texas Tech was ready. A blocked kick and long runs gave the Red Raiders a startling 35-13 victory over the Plainsmen. Raiders won the Gator fans.

Georgia Tech won, a victory somewhat tarnished by all the pre-game Sugar Bowl bickering over why West Virginia was selected, who was responsible for the choice, and on and on. New Orleans newspapermen kept the controversy ablaze even after Tech had won easily, 42-19, and free use of the green yearlings kept the score down plenty.

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Thus, one SEC victory in three starts is reminiscent of Dixie success, and failure, a year ago. Tech lashed Ole Miss in the Sugar Bowl, only time that arena has pitted two conference teams against each other, Alabama routed Syracuse, 61-6, in a horrible mismatch, and Tennessee bowed to Texas in the Cotton Bowl.

The SEC obviously is fighting annually to keep its head above the .500 mark in bowl battling. To date, SEC teams have won 26, lost 23, tied two in the four major bowls—Rose, Cotton, Sugar and Orange. And the 1954 results put Tech at the head of the Bowl victors in our circuit. The Jackets have won seven, lost two in these four same arenas. Alabama has won seven, dropped four, and Auburn, an infrequent participant, has broke even in a pair.

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The oddity of oddities, of course, was the astonishing tackle perpetrated on Rice's Bobby Moegle.

The Owl racer was en route to a 95-yard touchdown. But Tommy Lewis, the senior fullback, who was sitting on the bench, dashed onto the field and felled Moegle with a rolling block. The officials rightly awarded Rice the touchdown, the fans booed and Lewis cried.

But not for long. The mad maneuver had no effect on the outcome. But Lewis suddenly found himself the most famous griddy since Roy Riegels, who ran

the wrong way in the Rose Bowl 25 years ago, setting up a safety that gave Georgia Tech an 8-7 victory over California.

Ed Sullivan, famed TV interlocutor, flew Lewis and Moegle to New York to appear on his program. Dave Garroway, garrulous comic of TV, interviewed Lewis on his program, and a flood of banquet invitations sought the Tide fullback.

Football, in the past 20 years, has moved from the single wing and Notre Dame box to the double wing, the "T" formation and a half-dozen variations and now to the current rage, the Split-T, yet the payoff still is on the ground.

It was that way most of last season. Certainly it was in four of the five big Bowl battles. Rice almost humiliated Alabama by running, Oklahoma whipped Maryland at its own power game in the Orange Bowl, the Raiders won the same way over Auburn and Michigan State gained a mere 11 yards in the air in thrashing UCLA, 28-20, in the Rose Bowl. Tech alone struck through the air, but there is no evidence that they couldn't have done the same thing on the ground.

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The Orange Bowl, which this observer witnessed, was something of a disappointment, offensively.

But I feel safe in saying that no other Bowl team last New Year's Day played a better, tighter, more determined game than Oklahoma. The Sooners had virtually no passing, and Maryland knew it. Furthermore, the Sooners' kicking was a liability. Yet the Sooners won.

Defense did it—the hard way. There was a goal line stand in the grand tradition. Maryland had first down on the Oklahoma three in the first quarter.

The Sooners appeared doomed. Chet Hanulak punched through for one yard. Dick Nolan, the right half, tried a reverse at left end—no gain, a tactical error in my book. Quarterback Charley Boxold, subbing for the injured Bernie Faloney, sneaked for one plus—the ball was six inches from six points.

Boxold called on Ralph Felton, 200-pound fullback. Oklahoma was waiting. He didn't gain an inch. The Terps never recovered from the shock of that failure.

Coach Jim Tatum was agreeably second-guessing himself in the dressing room after that game.

After that stand, Oklahoma kicked out and the Terps moved to the 36 again. The Sooners held, and Tatum sent Dick Bielski in to try a field goal. The distance—42 yards—was too much.

"Maybe I should have saved Bielski for another time," Tatum said.

He referred, of course, to the very next series of plays. After Bielski failed, Oklahoma took the ball. Buddy Leake fumbled on third down and Maryland recovered on the Sooner 19.

Three rushes produced a first down on the nine. Three more netted but

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# Texas Round-up

By **STAN LAMBERT**

Southwest Representative

## UPHEAVAL OF SMALL COLLEGE ATHLETICS IN TEXAS

December was the month of decision for small-college athletics in Texas. It saw one conference practically dismembered, another strengthened, and two junior college conferences combined under circumstances that resulted in a completely new set of eligibility rules. The effects will be far reaching—some good, some not so good and others bordering on the tragic.

In the senior college circles the big loser was the Texas Conference. The exodus started when Abilene Christian announced that it was "pulling stakes" from the conference in favor of becoming an independent. Austin College was next, but left under entirely different circumstances. Austin became "miffed" when the conference declared two of its stars ineligible under the transfer rule and announced that it would withdraw if the action were not rescinded. The action was not rescinded.

Next came Texas College of Arts and Industries, who resigned in order to affiliate with the Lone Star Conference. A & I offered a third and entirely different reason for withdrawal. Although the striped pants officials clothed the resignation in more diplomatic language, the facts were well understood by everyone concerned. They were simply these: A & I, a state-supported school, had problems entirely different from the various church-supported schools, and felt that all concerned would be happier if it transferred to a conference composed entirely of state-supported institutions. Therefore, the conference that has contributed most to intercollegiate athletics in Texas (except for the SWC, of course) is at least temporarily on the ropes because three of its members withdrew for entirely different reasons: ACC in interest of more ambitious schedules in both football and track; Austin College because of disagreement with the other conference members over general policies, and Texas A & I in the interest of homogeneity. This writer regrets this turn of events very much, but somehow feels that only A & I improved its intercollegiate status. Although we can see the others' viewpoints, we do not agree with their action.

### ACC Has Excellent Record

Abilene Christian has dominated the conference for the past several years. It is the only Church of Christ school this side of George Pepperdine in California, and as a result gets some breaks on athletic talent that other schools can't touch. The Christians have had a taste of the small "big-time" and like what they tasted enough to want it for a steady diet. It is our prediction that they will learn two things in the coming year:

(1) That membership in a conference, which regulates eligibility and other general policies, lends a school a certain dignity, respect, and prestige that is essential in scheduling

the better schools. Knowing the ACC coaches and authorities as we do, we sincerely believe that the athletic picture at the Abilene school will remain on the same high plane as always; but it is sometimes difficult to convince other schools that this is true when it is known that there is no watchdog outside the school's own walls to enforce them. The word "independent" is sometimes considered a nice word for "out-law," and we believe that ACC will suffer as a result of this connotation of the word.

(2) That it takes more money to operate on an independent basis than that school is willing to spend on a program that does not lend to a championship—though it be only of the Texas Conference. Wealthier schools than ACC have tried it and failed. Its transfer of status does not remove the fact that the school is located in a city of near 50,000 which has a strong high school athletic program and must also support Hardin-Simmons University in the Border Conference and McMurry, which remained in the Texas Conference. ACC has its problems but in our own personal opinion we can't see isolation as the answer.

### Austin College and A & I Have other Problems

As of now Austin College will also remain independent. However, the two cases (ACC and Austin) represent the two extremities of success. Only recently it lost Ray Morrison as coach and Henry Frnka as vice president.

About two years ago Austin announced that it was going "simon pure" if it could find anyone to go with them—but had no takers. Since then its fortunes have steadily declined. Really, we do not know enough reliable facts to discuss the situation intelligently—and heresay is certainly not reliable enough to print under a by-line. Like Will Rogers, about all we know is what we read in the papers and that is that they tried to make a comeback and in so doing used a couple of transferees whom the other conference members said were unquestionable ineligible. At any rate, like ACC, they also got a taste; but unlike ACC, they did not like what they tasted and decided not to eat at all. In modern day intercollegiate athletics, we feel their attitude will prove to be a mistake; but we suppose that if you can't you can't—if that makes any sense.

But to keep this entire column from being 100% sour, we will add that we think A & I will be happier in its new alignment. We believe that it has something to offer the Lone Star and that the LSC can help A & I. In fact, we know that the new alignment has already helped them in that the LSC has insisted that A & I broaden its scope of athletics to conform to the rules and spirit of athletic competition within that conference.

### What Makes A Successful Conference?

In view of the above it might be well to discuss what makes a successful athletic

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conference. In our opinion the key word is homogeneity of the main factors. We believe those factors are:

1. **Size of student bodies.** The size of student population makes for vastly different problems. We do not know what the exact percentage is, but we know that the large and small do not mix well.

2. **Size of the conference itself.** Conference can be too large to play a round robin schedule and too small to make a championship of any value. Seven is pretty well accepted as ideal. It offers three conference games at home and three away as well as four intersectional games—two at home and a like number away. With six others fighting for a title, it certainly isn't cheapened.

3. **Geographical range.** For an ideal situation the majority of the schools at least should be within one-day automobile range so as to permit a liberal interchange of students and fans.

4. **Size of athletic budgets.** Mixing the very poor with the very rich does not make for a good conference. Our guess would be that all schools should be within 15% of each other in order to maintain equalized competition, which is essential to healthful relations.

5. Under **miscellaneous factors** we would list such items as near equality in the size of the coaching staffs, the amount of emphasis put on the athletic programs, the philosophies of athletics, the integrity of those in charge of the program.

There doubtlessly are others that we have overlooked; but we believe that unless a conference has most of these to some degree that it is like trying to mix oil and water. We also feel that the degree of success of a given conference will be to some extent in ratio to the degree of homogeneity in these factors.

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three yards, so Tatum ordered another field goal. Felton tried it, this time from the 12, and the kick was wide to the right.

Maybe three points, at that juncture, would have made a difference. I doubt it.

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The Oklahoma victory recalled something Coach Bud Wilkinson had said a few days before the game at the Miami kickoff luncheon.

"I figure we've got to get four touchdowns if we want to win," said Tatum, "because I figure Oklahoma will get three."

"Maryland has a great defense," countered Wilkinson. "We're hoping to get a few points . . . six, maybe seven."

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## Coastal Cuff-Notes

# PACIFIC COAST CONFERENCES



### CRAVATH PAID TRIBUTE

Friends who paid tribute to Jeff Cravath in memorial services at St. John's Episcopal Church heard Rev. Donald G. Weston of the Bethel Lutheran Church of Modesto, whose son played frosh football at SC, give the main eulogy.

"We are thankful today," he said, "to all of you for the many gifts in memory of this wonderful man. The University of Southern California has lost an illustrious son and a great and loyal Trojan. He was a skilled artist, a rugged competitor and a man with a brilliant mind dedicated to sports. As an athlete and a coach, he always gave his best. All of us who knew Jeff Cravath are richer today because he lived.

"Jeff was a successful coach whose word was as good as his bond. He loved people and he trusted them. Any young man who played football for Jeff Cravath came out of that experience a better individual. This loyal Trojan lives on. . . . Hundreds of young men who were taught by him are his monument."

Dr. Rufus B. von KleinSmid, chancellor at SC, who was president when Jeff played and coached there, spoke feelingly of the man with whom he was so closely associated for many years.

"We are here today," he said, "to attest to the things we like in a man . . . not to his name, nor his person but to the qualities which were Jeff Cravath. First of all, he was an honest man. No man is pretty honest or rather honest. You are either honest or dishonest. Jeff Cravath was completely honest. He loved people. He looked upon his squads of football players not as students, nor players but rather as groups of personalities. His capacity for friendship was limitless. He cared more for friends than for most of the other desirable things of life.

"Perhaps the most important impression he leaves is that the qualities of a man are the things that live forever. I think that all of us who knew Jeff Cravath like to think of him as we gather here today . . . we like to think of him as leaving the stadium on the shoulders of his friends, exultant and triumphant. Today, my conviction is sure . . . he goes triumphant, exultant and expectant."

### DEFENSIVE RECORD

With only 48 points scored against it in nine games, the UCLA Bruins ranked nationally second only to Maryland, which had 31 chalked up against it in the same number of contests. Completing his fifth year at Westwood, Red Sanders' football teams have won 32, lost only 11 and tied one.

Sandy Lederman, sophomore quarterback at the University of Washington, threw eight touchdown passes this year, enabling him to set a new school mark for sophomores. Former All-American Don Heinrich tossed six in his first season with the Huskies.

By **GEORGE H. ALLEN**

### Pacific Coast Representative

#### LARSON RECORD BREAKER

California's football record book showed a new set of team and individual passing statistics, as 16 new marks were written in the books by the 1953 Bears. Junior quarterback Paul Larson was the chief record breaker, as the blonde Big Game hero personally established nine new University records. Probably the most impressive Larson mark was his 10-game offensive total of 1,572 yards, which was tops for the nation.

California fields 42 teams in 22 sports in 497 contests yearly — probably the greatest intercollegiate athletic program in the United States.

Pomona-Claremont's Sagehens were rated fifth among the nation's small college elevens on defense, limiting opponents to 132.9 yards per game in eight contests. Cedric Scott was third among the nation's small college punters with 41.7 yards per kick in 40 punts. Whittier's Bob Dunham averaged 5.36 yards per carry through a rugged 10-game schedule.

#### HATS OFF TO CALIF. POLY

California Poly finished the football season with nine straight wins and amassed 395 points, to become one of the highest scoring teams in the nation. Top scorer was Perry Jeter with 89 points. He was followed by Bob Lawson with 78. Alex Bravo set several three-year records — most yards rushing (2,238), most total yards (2,238) and most points (151). The closest game of the season was with Whittier, which Cal Poly won by a score of 31-14.

Director of Athletics **Paul Durham** of Linfield College has successfully completed his second annual "Old Grads" tournament. A total of 16 teams compete in the four-day joust between clubs coached by former Linfield athletes.

Oceanside's **C. R. Roberts** who scored almost 400 points in his final two years of prep grid play is a 10.2 dashman and a 21-foot broad jumper.

**Bob Franz** of Mount Diablo High in Concord and John Giannoni of Lodi have been named co-coaches of the North team for the third annual Shrine-Hi football game at the Colosseum next August.

**Chula Vista** won 12 straight games and won the CIF's Southern Group title. Jack Mele and Jack Fair produced one of the finest teams in the history of Whittier High School. Santa Monica won the CIF championship by defeating Whittier 34-19. Bob Stillwell of the winners was in his first head coaching position and did a fine job.

**San Fernando's Tigers** delivered the school's first major city football championship by (Continued on page 42)



# Roamin' the Rockies ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE



By DURRELL "QUIG" NIELSEN  
Rocky Mountains Representative

It will be a long time before grid fans forget the great Turkey Day dish, the national TV game of the week between Utah and Brigham Young. With the 60 million fans looking on, these two Skyline elevens are credited with putting on the most dazzling display of gridiron pyrotechnics of the entire season. Utah, Skyline champs for the third consecutive time, ran into something almost unprecedented on the football field. Even though the Utes came out with a 33-32 win, they ran smack into their own plays executed superbly by the visiting Cougars of Brigham Young. Cougar chieftain, Chick Atkinson, had warned that he was coming up with some sort of a secret weapon but Utah's Coach Jack Curtice never dreamed his defense would be out to stop his own plays. Utah players were heard to comment after the fracas, "We should spend more time defending our own offense." And on "Cactus Jack" Curtice's last TV program of the season, Chick Atkinson, who was a special guest, thanked Jack very much "for the use of those plays Thanksgiving Day."

And speaking of TV, rumor has it that "Cactus Jack" has been approached about a national TV show. The Ute boss could do it and do it well. With his glib tongue many have wondered why he's still in the coaching business. The "poor man's Herman Hickman" is considered in these parts as "better than Herman."

Genial, young Bob Blackman of Denver University, had his Pioneers fired for the season finale with favorite Wyoming. With back Fred Mahaffey playing phenomenal ball, the Pioneers checked in with a 13-13 deadlock but enjoyed a lead most of the ball game. Denver fans feel they have copped a real coaching find in Blackman and better days are certainly in the offing for Mile High city grid enthusiasts.

When the Skyline Conference presidents met in December, Gary Bergen and Art Bunte, students who transferred to Utah from Kansas State and Colorado U. following the hiring of Jack Gardner as Utah hoop coach, appeared and gave their side of the story. After the prexies had listened to every bit of the evidence, the report of Commissioner Dick Romney was upheld and Utah was cleared of violating any conference rules. Kansas State, through the executive secretary of the Big Seven, had questioned the ethics in coaching, but as the situation now stands if the Big Seven and Kansas State aren't satisfied with the findings, they'll have to take the case to the NCAA.

Speaking of Gardner, he's already won the hearts of the Salt Lake City basketball backers. Now that he's in the clear on the Bunte-Bergen case (reports indicate these boys are a couple of pretty good ball players), fans are uniting behind him. He is following Curtice's footsteps and has his own TV show explaining all the fine points of the indoor court sport.

Earl "The Horse" Lindley, Utah State's hard-running half-back, wound up his collegiate career by taking national honors as the leading scorer among major colleges. The big Aggie back had 13 touchdowns and three conversions for 81 points, but even more important, he was the third best pass receiver in the league, snagging 13 aerials for 260 yards. He was in the number six slot for ball carrying, tenth place for passing and sixth for punt returning. All in all, the big Cache Valley kid is quite an all-around performer. And to top it off, he is equally adept in basketball, handling the post position along with the best of them.

University of Utah's Don Petersen who was the top ball carrier in the conference and finished second in punting, had never punted in a game until he joined the Utah varsity squad. "Pete," a unanimous choice for all conference honors, gave opposing coaches the jitters with his fast breakaway running. He was particularly effective on the quick kick, too, a weapon the Utes used to tremendous advantage throughout the season.

Coach Ev Shelton at the University of Wyoming, defending Skyline basketball champs, can field six hoopsters 6-6 or above. The Cowboys, with the rangiest team in Skyline history, have a sophomore center, Ed Huse, who stands 6-8½ and weighs 235 pounds. To flank this giant, Shelton can use Ron Rivers at 6-7; Fred Weishoff, 6-7; Harry Jorgensen, 6-7; Bill Lange, 6-6, or Jim Schell, a 6-6 sophomore. Wyoming is the favorite to win the crown again but is expected to be pressed by B.Y.U., Utah State and Colorado A & M. Montana rates as a possible unknown entity.

Jiggs Dahlberg, in his 17th year as coach of the Montana Grizzlies, will open his Skyline season in a new million-dollar fieldhouse. The Montana coach thinks his team will be as good as last year's aggregation, which pulled several upsets, ranked with the pacesetters for a good portion of the season and finally finished fourth. The new fieldhouse was dedicated with the Grizzlies playing last year's national champions, Indiana University, before a capacity crowd. Present seating capacity is 6,500, more than three times the number that could be jammed into the old gymnasium. Another feature of this Montana basketball presentation this year will be the shelving of the fast break for which Dahlberg has been noted. This time the Grizzlies are playing a deliberate, ball-control game using a set offense.

Brigham Young University, a perennial hothouse of basketball, rolled off to an impressive start by trouncing two conference champions in two week-ends. The Cougars, under the guidance of Coach Stan Watts, bumped Idaho State, last year's Rocky Mountain league champs, and Texas Christian, '53 winners of the Southwest Conference. Dean Larsen, Cougar forward and one of the most accurate tossers in the

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## CAMPUS CLOSE-UP

### ALABAMA VARSITY TEAMS

(Reading from Top to Bottom)

#### ALABAMA BASEBALL TEAM (1953)

1st row (left to right): "Little Hank" Crisp, mascot; Mike Bite, student manager. 2nd row: Jimmy Walker, Carey Frazier, Jerry Belk, Robert Barnes, Jim Grant, Cecil Ingram, Gene Lary, Fred Posey, Bill Terry, Mike Starr, Skeets Howard. 3rd row: Tilden Campbell (head coach); Jerry Watford, Buster Hill, John Paul Anderson, Bob Monnett, Hugh Jones, Bobby Barnes, Greg Shmagranoff, Ronnie Welsh, Ed Welsh, Charles Olgati, Joe Sewell, coach.



#### BASKETBALL SQUAD (1954)

Bottom row: Richard Gunder, Billy Crews, Jerry Harper, George Linn, Bill Sexton (captain), Dennis O'Shea, Leon Marlaire, Jim Bratton, Ronald Mayor. Top row (left to right): John Dee (head coach), David Putman (assistant student coach), John Harrison, James Barry, James Bogan, Harold Goldstein, Tom Crosby, William Shuman, Russell Robertson (student manager).



#### 1953 TRACK TEAM

1st row (left to right): Bill Shoop, Bill Yeilding, Bill Bullard, Sonny Dixon, Jim Richards, Bob Ide, Red Patton. 2nd row: Derrell Holmes, Bill Jankovick, Mell Bolling, Ralph Summerlin, Bill Worthington, Ray McDonald, Archie Adams, Robert McGee (student manager). 3rd row: Gene Miller (assistant student coach), Joe Chione, John Berg, John McBride, Tom Nylund, Ed Culpepper, Tom Danner, Don Carmichael, Wayne Goodson, Charles Stapp (head coach).



#### "THE CRIMSON TIDE" — 1953 S.E.C. CHAMPIONS

1st row, left to right: Coach Collins; George Mason; Jack Smalley; Tommy Tillman; Joe Cummings; Bud Willis (Captain); Tommy Lewis (Alternate Captain); Bart Starr; Bill Oliver; Albert Elmore. 2nd row: Robert McGee, student manager; Ollie Yates; Clifton Collins; Ed Culpepper; Harry Lee; Jim Davis; John Snoderley; Curtis Lynch; John McBride; Cecil Ingram; Corky Tharp; Marion Pierson, student manager. 3rd row: Bobby Luna; Bill Hollis; Dan Coyle; Paul Donaldson; Pete Cook; Rufus Cassity; Billy Shipp; Nick Germanos; Fred Sington. 4th row: Billy Brooks; Charles Eckerly; Ralph Carrigan; Bob Wilga; Sid Youngelman; Osbie Linville; Bill Stone; Jeff Moorers; Vince DeLaurentis.





**PETER W. CAWTHON**  
Athletic Director



**H. D. DREW**  
Head Football Coach



**H. G. "HANK" CRISP**  
Line Coach

## CAMPUS CLOSE-UP

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Golf and tennis, two of the minor sports on the Capstone, are now going full speed and expected to take their place among the conference leaders in the near future. Malcolm Laney is the golf coach and his prize is Bobby Hill, who was SEC champ in 1952 and has another year to go.

C. de la Menardiere is the tennis mentor and received all his tennis experience in the French army, where he served for 15 years. A captain in the French Air Force, he won the French War Cross, the Legion of Merit and the Purple Heart for his activities as a flyer. After coming to the University as a French instructor in 1947, he was awarded the highest military honor of the French government. He was deco-

rated with the rank of Chevalier, French Legion of Honor.

## INTRAMURAL SPORTS

The University of Alabama's intramural sports department, headed by Charlie Stapp, provides facilities and guidance in a total of 16 different sports.

Among these are touch football, basketball, softball and track. A total of nine touch football fields, six basketball courts and 11 softball fields are provided for student participation. Golf facilities are at the Meadowbrook Club in Tuscaloosa.

All of which go a long way to implement the stated desire of the University's new president, Dr. O. C. Carmichael that a maximum number of students participate in the wide intramural program offered at the Univ. of Alabama.

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Below: Tilden "Happy" Campbell, Backfield Coach and Head Baseball Coach.



Below, left to right: Malcolm Laney, End Coach; Lew Bostick, Guard Coach; Joe Kilgrow, Freshman Coach; James "Bubber" Nesbet, Assistant Coach.



## CAMPUS CLOSE-UP

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Last year a total of 4,360 participants made use of Alabama intramural facilities. Of these, there were about 2,000 different individual participants.

Other phases of sports provided for by the intramural department are tennis, track, horseshoes, weightlifting, boxing and bowling.

Intramural activity is set up at Alabama on a fourfold basis, namely for fraternity, independent, faculty and interdenomination church groups.

Teams participating in the activities are scored on a point system. At the end

of the year, the fraternity having the most points wins the rotating trophy. A three-time winner of the trophy is allowed to keep it.

### 'Bama's Million Dollar Band

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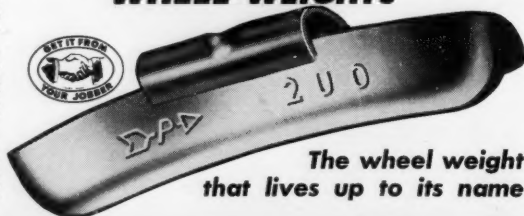


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